

Friday Bulletin

News from the Alaska State Libraries, Archives & Museums

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News from Governor's Arts and Humanities Awards Ceremony

Division Director Patience Frederiksen sent out this report on last night's Governor's Award Ceremony for the Arts and Humanities in Juneau:

Last night, I had the pleasure of attending the Governor's Award Ceremony for the Arts and Humanities in Juneau. For the complete list of awardees, see: <https://education.alaska.gov/aksca/>

Bob Banghart, past Deputy Director of the Division of Libraries, Archives and Museums, received an award for his distinguished service to the humanities. Bob was involved in the construction of 10 museums statewide and is one of the founders of the Juneau Folk Festival.

Frank Soos, outgoing Writer Laureate for 2015-2016, said in his remarks that the Alaska Reads programs held in February 2016 were his most significant project. He talked about Ernestine Hayes visiting 15 libraries in person and an additional 15 libraries over the Online With Libraries (OWL) videoconferencing network. Frank ended his comments with this: "I have come to understand just how much the world is run by amazing librarians."



Frank Soos, Alaska Writer Laureate for 2015-2016

Ernestine Hayes is the 2017-2018 Writer Laureate. Keep an eye on www.360north.org to view her speech near the end of the evening. Her remarks made the audience roar.

Books for the Alaska State Museum's Discovery Room

Claire Imamura of the Alaska State Library recently wrote about a collaboration with the Alaska State Museum to stock the Museum's Discovery Room. For a list of the books and a picture of our beautiful Discovery Room visit:

[Books for the Alaska State Museum's Discovery Room](#), Since You Asked, 1/24/2017

NEWS FROM L.A.M.S IN ALASKA

Former ALA President and Juneau Librarian Ann Symons named ALA Honorary Member

On Sunday, 1/22/2017, the Council of the American Library Association (ALA) voted to give Ann Symons (1998-99 ALA President). Honorary membership is the Association's highest honor and is conferred in recognition of outstanding contributions of lasting importance to libraries and librarianship. We are especially happy for Ann because she worked as a school librarian in Juneau for many years.

Ann Symons was nominated for her contributions to advocacy, access, intellectual freedom and services to the LGBTQ community.

For more information, see page 16 of the [1/23/2017 edition of the 2017 ALA Midwinter Cognotes](#).

Homer youth librarian teaching media mentorship class

While the following announcement went out on AkLA-L, we think that some museums education staff may be interested in this class. Plus, we just enjoy highlighting Alaskans involved with national level activities:

NEW! MEDIA MENTORSHIP AND FAMILY ENGAGEMENT IN THE DIGITAL AGE

March 27-April 29

\$165 (10% Discount if you register by March 13!)

1.8 CEUs / 18 LEUs

Program #3059

You will receive an email with login instructions a few days before the class begins.

<https://slis.wisc.edu/continuing-education/media-mentorship/>

What is a media mentor? If you work with children in the library, or manage those who do, join us for an in-depth look at media mentorship and how to support families in the digital age. Discover innovative ways to support families with all kinds of media, discuss relevant research about digital media and children, and apply your new knowledge to your day-to-day work.

Topics

- Defining Media Mentorship and Family Engagement
- Making the Case for Media Mentorship in the Library
- 3 Ways to be a Media Mentor for Children and Families
- Evaluating and Finding High Quality Digital Media for Children
- Partnering and Collaborating In and Out of Libraryland: PLNs

Instructor

Claudia Haines is the Youth Services Librarian at the Homer Public Library (Alaska). She trains other librarians as media mentors and serves on both local and national committees that support families and literacy. She is co-author of the book, *Becoming a Media Mentor* (2016) and the ALSC white paper on media mentorship. She blogs at www.nevershushed.com.

Explosives and Experiments with Amanda Kiely at AkLA 2017

Ketchikan Public Library is highlighting one of the most popular programs at this year's Alaska Library Association (AkLA) Annual Conference:

Explosives & Experiments – Friday, 2/24/2017 @ 11:15 am – 12:15 pm

Learn to incorporate the beauty of science into children's programming through exploration, inquiry, and huge messes. Using one of the Ketchikan Public Library's most popular programs as a model, in this hands-on presentation we'll perform simple yet engaging experiments using every day materials and explain the science behind them in a way all ages can understand. We'll provide plenty of resources for you to offer lively programs your patrons will be lining up to attend.

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Take control with the Consumer Action Book

Sharing a recent e-mail from the Government Publishing Office:

Dear Librarian,

With the number of financial choices that people face, it's important that they get information on saving money that they can trust. The [Consumer Action Handbook](#) can help them get information they need.

Give your patrons trusted government information on:

- Avoiding common frauds and scams
- Managing credit and debt
- Preventing identity theft
- Getting free copies of credit reports
- Shopping for major purchases

This publication also includes a directory of government agencies and other organizations working to resolve consumer issues.

Visit <https://cah.gpo.gov/cah-form.aspx> to order bulk copies of this free publication online, in English or Spanish. Allow up to six weeks for delivery.

Please contact Andrew Roybal aroybal@gpo.gov if you have any questions or wish to no longer receive promotional emails.

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